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SUBJECT: 62D ECOSOC -NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, ITEM 14

1. THE GENERAL DEBATE ON ITEM 14, NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS) COMMENCED FRIDAY, APRIL 29 AND CONTINUED AT THE MORNING SESSION MONDAY, MAY 2.

2. STRONG CRITICISM OF NGOS WAS VOICED BY SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN STATES, INCLUDING ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, BOLIVIA, CHILE AND VENEZUELA. THE USSR AND UKRAINIAN SSR ACCUSED AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, THE ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY AND THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS OF VIOLATING THEIR CONSULTATIVE STATUS BY CONTANTLY SLANDERING SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. BOTH DELEGATIONS STATED THAT SOME STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN TO DEPRIVE SUCH ORGANIZATIONS OF THEIR STATUS, BUT NO SPECIFIC ACTIONS WERE SUGGESTED.

3. THE LATIN DELEGATIONS CRITICIZED, IN PARTICULAR, ACTIONS OF CERTAIN NGOS AT THE RECENT SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, WHERE PERSONS WHO WERE OBVIOUSLY NOT MEMBERS WERE ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATIONS AND DEVOTED THEIR STATEMENTS TO SHARP

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ATTACKS ON ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE AND URUGUAY. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST INSTANCE OF SO-CALLED MISUSE OF CONSULTATIVE STATUS BY NGOS (MRS. ALLENDE SPOKE IN 1974 ON BEHALF OF THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FEDERATION). THE LATIN STATES HAVE BEEN SUFFICIENTLY STUNG TO FEEL JUSTIFIED IN MOUNTING SOMETHING OF AN ANTI-NGO CAMPAIGN WHICH IS MEANT AS

A WARNING NOTICE TO NEGOS BUT WILL NOT LEAD TO ANY ACTIONS TO WITHDRAW OR SUSPEND STATUS OF SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS.

4. THE ARGENTINA DELEGATION HAS TABLED A DRAFT DECISION WHICH, IN EFFECT, REITERATES RECOMMENDATIONS ALREADY CONTAINED IN THE REPORT OF THE NGO COMMITTEE (E/5934) WHICH THE US SUPPORTED. THIS RECOMMENDATION CALLS ON NGOS TO SUBMIT REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1296 FOR USE IN CARRYING OUT THE REQUIRED REVIEW OF ALL NGOS EVERY FOURTH YEAR. THIS REVIEW WAS NOT CARRIED OUT AS SCHEDULED IN 1972 AND IS NOW LONG OVERDUE. THE TEXT OF THE ARGENTINA DECISION FOLLOWS AS THE LAST PARA BELOW. THE US DELEGATION HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE LANGUAGE OF PARA (C) BE CLARIFIED TO INDICATE THAT ORGANIZATIONS CAN BE SUSPENDED ONLY BY ACTION OF ECOSOC FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION BY THE NGO COMMITTEE AND SHOULD NOT RESULT SIMPLY FROM AN ACTION OF THE SECRETARIAT IN DETERMINING THAT A REPORT WAS NOT SUBMITTED ON TIME.

QUOTE

SIXTY-SECOND SESSION  
AGENDA ITEM 14. NON-GOVERNMENTAL  
ORGANIZATIONS

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

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ARGENTINA: DRAFT DECISION

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL DECIDES  
(A) TO GRANT THE FOLLOWING NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS  
CONSULTATIVE STATUS:

CATEGORY II

ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDHOOD EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL  
INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES  
INTERNATIONAL INDIAN TREATY COUNCIL  
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR VITAL REGISTRATION AND STATISTICS  
INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC FEDERATION OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS  
UNION OF ARAB JURISTS  
WORLD POPULATION SOCIETY  
WORLD TRADE CENTER ASSOCIATION

ROSTER

AFRICAN MEDICAL AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL  
ASIAN YOUTH COUNCIL  
EUROPEAN MEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION WATER PLANNING  
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HYDROGEN ENERGY  
INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR DYNAMICS OF DEVELOPMENT  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE BUREAU  
INTERNATIONAL PROGRESS ORGANIZATION  
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF JUDGES  
LATIN AMERICAN CONFEDERATION OF TOURIST ORGANIZATIONS (COTAL)  
PLANETARY CITIZENS

(B) TO RECLASSIFY TWO NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS FROM  
CATEGORY II TO CATEGORY I AND THREE OTHERS FROM THE ROSTER TO  
CATEGORY II AS FOLLOWS:

CATEGORY I

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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRENCH-SPEAKING PARLIAMENTARIANS  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF CONSUMERS UNION (IOCU)

CATEGORY II

CHRISTIAN PEACE CONFERENCE  
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM  
WORLD COUNCIL OF CREDIT UNIONS

(C) TO TAKE NOTE OF THE SECTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF  
THESE APPLICATIONS, BEARING IN MIND ITS RECOMMENDATION AT  
ITS FORTY-SIXTH SESSION THAT MANY NON-GOVERNMENTAL  
ORGANIZATION ENJOYING CONSULTATIVE STATUS WHICH HAS NOT  
SUBMITTED THE NECESSARY INFORMATION WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED  
TIME-LIMITS SHOULD LOSE ITS CONSULTATIVE STATUS PURSUANT  
TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1296 (XLIV);

(D) TO URGE THE COMMITTEE TO COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS  
LAID DOWN IN PARAGRAPHS 35, 36 AND 40 OF THE SAID RESOLUTION  
AND TO REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS SIXTY-FOURTH SESSION ON  
THE RESULT OF ITS REVIEW. UNQUOTE  
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